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**WEEKLY REPORT**  
**Region 9**  
**Environmental Protection Agency**  
**Week of 3/13/2017**  
**Land Division**

**Highlight of Past Week**

**Significant Items for Next Week**

**Internal to Region 9**

**New Park Opens Atop Closed CNMI Dump:** CNMI Governor Ralph DLG Torres will host a ribbon cutting ceremony on March 17 to unveil a new park atop the former Puerto Rico Dump on Saipan. The park, which includes an outdoor music venue, is the result of a project begun in 2005 through an EPA administrative order on consent to close the municipal dump. The \$27 million project was completed with DOI Office of Insular Affairs funding support, CNMI government-led construction management, and EPA oversight of pollution control measures. The ribbon cutting will include remarks from DOI Acting Assistant Secretary of Insular Areas Nik Pula. (McCarroll 2-3774)

**WPS Outreach to Farm Labor Contractors:** On March 15, we presented on the revised Worker Protection Standard (in English and in Spanish) at the Annual Wine & Vine Workforce Management Conference in Santa Rosa, CA. We were joined by the California Department of Pesticide Regulation and the Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office to inform farm labor contractors and other employers in the agricultural industry about their new responsibilities. (Estrada 2-3493)

**CalEPA Crumb Rubber Advisory Meeting:** On March 10, we attended CalEPA OEHHHA's 2nd public meeting regarding their study of recycled tire crumb rubber use as infill for synthetic turf soccer fields. The OEHHHA Science Advisory Panel (SAP) reviewed and provided comments on laboratory analysis of uninstalled crumb rubber samples and on a plan to sample approximately 25 fields from five California climates. The meeting concluded with public comments about carcinogens identified in crumb rubber, public warnings for fields, transparency, other affected sports, and synergistic effects. (Aguilar 2-3428)

**Zero Waste Youth Convergence:** On March 19, we will present on EPA tools and resources for reducing wasted food at the Zero Waste Youth Convergence in San Francisco. High school and college students will

attend and other topics covered include zero waste education, careers, and manufacturing, as well as social equity. (Heller 2-3074)

**Evaluating PCBs on USS Iowa Battleship Museum:**

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**EPA-FAA Intergovernmental Agreement for Palmyra Atoll Cleanup:** During the week of March 13, FAA and EPA signed an Intergovernmental Agreement (IA) to reimburse us for our regulatory oversight of FAA's assessment and remediation of contamination on Palmyra Atoll. The IA covers EPA's time, travel, and overhead for this project for the next four years and allows for cost reimbursement of up to \$290,000. (Frances Wicher 2-3957)

**Other Information**

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